

Amendments to the Specification

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 20 at line 1 with the following:

When the member clicks a transmission button 131 after having filled out a name, a membership number, and a password provided in the form 130, the terminal 10 sends log-in information to the WWW server 3 (step S33). Upon receipt of the log-in information, the WWW server 3 acquires information about the member from the database 5 on the basis of the log-in information (step S34). The database 5 retrieves a member matching the given log-in information from the membership database 7 (step S35). A result of retrieval is sent to the WWW server 3 (step S36). When a member matching the log-in information is found, the WWW server 3 sends a predetermined information input form to the user terminal 10 (step S37). In contrast, if a member matching the log-in information is not found, a refusal of access to the information provision page is sent to the terminal 10 (~~step S36~~) (step S38). As mentioned above, entry of log-in information prevents provision of information from a person not having membership. Hence, the quality of information provided from members is held at a certain level, thereby enhancing the value of information and frequency of utilization of the information.

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 22 at line 20 with the following:

When the operator specifies engineering information desired to browse from the list by actuation of the operator terminal 6, the operator terminal 6 requests the database server 5 to browse the thus-specified engineering information (step S54). The database server 5 outputs the thus-specified engineering information to the operator terminal 6 (step S55). The operator ascertains the thus-output engineering information on a monitor of the operator terminal 6 or ascertains the engineering information after having printed the information. The operator evaluates the engineering information in accordance with predetermined evaluation standards, and an evaluation result is input to the operator terminal 6.